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Hongkong, February 8, 1882.

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### PRIZE SHOOTING OPEN TO ALL AMATEUR RIFLE SHOTS.

A SPECTACULAR SILVER MEDAL, Manufactured by and now on exhibition at Mr. J. J. HAMBRO's will be shot for, commencing April 1st and closing on evening of April 16th.

This GENTLEMAN MAKING THE HIGHEST SCORE IN THE SHOTS TO TAKE THE PRIZE.

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FOUR SHOTS for... 25 Cents.

Galleries open daily from 4 to 12 p.m., to all respectable Members of the Community.

Hongkong, April 1, 1882.

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

WE Have been appointed AGENTS for the MITSU BUSSAN KAISHA, of Tokio, at this Port.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.

Hongkong, February 1, 1882.

### CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ON and after this Date the Undersigned Resumes his Duties as SECRETARY of the Company.

By Order of the Directors,

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Secretary.

Hongkong, March 20, 1882. ap18

### NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have been appointed SOLE AGENTS for the Sale of their GOODS by Messrs KYNOC & Co., of WITTON, near BIRMINGHAM.

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, August 13, 1881. 13au82

## Auctions.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

ERHART BERLIN AND CANTON-MADE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, PIANO, by PIERRE, &c., &c.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

THURSDAY,

the 13th April, 1882, at 2 p.m., at the Residence of Dr. C. CLOUTH, Boulder Lodge,—

The whole of his

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., comprising:—

BERLIN-MADE DRAWING-ROOM SUITE, YELLOW LINEN, BLACKWOOD TABLE, BLACKWOOD BOOK CASE, CHAIR TABLE, NINE INCH LATE TABLES, WHATNOTS, MIRRORS, CHINA, OIL PAINTINGS, CLOCKS, CARPETS, RUGS, CURTAINS.

A FINE FRENCH COTTAGE PIANO, by PLEYEL; CANTON-MADE MUSIC DESK, &c.

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Also,

A FINE COLLECTION OF FLOWERS and FERNS in Pots.

Catalogues will be issued, and the Furniture on view on Wednesday, the 12th April.

G. R. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, March 30, 1882. ap13

## For Sale.

### FOR SALE.

MESSRS W. & J. LOCKETT'S Celebrated BRANDS, THEREAFTER'S EXPORT FAIR ALLE, and FINEST OF THE DUBLIN STOUT-FIN FINE and QUART. FINE OLD PORT, in Cases of 1 dozen.

Also,

SILVER MOUSSEAU (VIN DE CHAMPAGNE), in Cases 2 dozen Pints and 1 dozen Quarts.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.

Hongkong, February 1, 1882.

## FOR SALE.

GENUINE MADEIRA WINE, 1870, \$22 per Dozen.

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Hongkong, March 21, 1882. ap21

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Pints, \$18 per 2 doz. " "

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4 doz. & Case CHAMPAGNE BOTTLES, \$10.

Apply to

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Hongkong, March 30, 1882.

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Now Ready.

No. 4—Vol. X.

OF THE

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CONTAINS—

The A-Mi-to-Fu History of China.

A Page in the "Dolomite" and Mr. Giles' Residence in the Interior and the Transit Trade.

Notices of New Books and Literary Intelligence.

Notes and Queries:—

Slavery in China.

Rotation of Departmental Duty at Peking.

Queries: "Emblems" and the Lok U.

Limit of Responsibility for Effects of Wounds according to Chinese Law.

"Sui" and "Tan."

A Correction.

Errata: Chinese Oaths in Borneo and Java.

Books Wanted: Krishnagar, &c.

Hongkong, March 27, 1882.

## To Let.

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(WITH POSSESSION ON THE 1st MAY.)

THE New FAMILY RESIDENCE situated next to EXETER on Robinson Road, replete with every convenience, TENNIS LAWNS, STABLES, &c.

Also,

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Apply to

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Hongkong, April 3, 1882.

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Hongkong, April 4, 1882. ap11

## TO LET.

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Apply to

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Hongkong, April 5, 1882.

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Apply to

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Hongkong, March 24, 1882.

## Intimations.

### SEALED TENDERS will be Received by the Undersigned on or before Noon of THURSDAY, the 13th Proximo, for the SUPPLY of 1,000 TONS of TAKASIMA COAL, deliverable at the NAVAL COAL DEPOT, Kowloon, in accordance with the Conditions on the printed Tender, which can be obtained on application at the NAVAL STOREKEEPER'S Office. The right to reject the lowest or any Tender is reserved.

E. B. JOREY, Naval Storekeeper.

H. M. Naval Yard, Hongkong, 14th March, 1882. ap13

## THE CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY.

### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Eighth Ordinary General Meeting of the SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held on FRIDAY, the Fourteenth day of April, at 2:30 p.m., at the HEAD OFFICE, SHANGHAI, for presentation of the Half-Yearly Report and Accounts to the 31st December last; the Election of Directors and Auditors; and Declaration of Dividends for the Year 1881. The Transfer BOOK of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 14th April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

HERBERT S. MORRIS, Secretary.

Shanghai, 1st April, 1882. ap13

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## THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Queen's Road, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 14th Instant, at 9 o'clock in the afternoon, in accordance with the Provisions of Ordinance 1 of 1877.

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Hongkong, January 13, 1882. jy13

## Intimations.

### NOTICE OF LIQUIDATION.

NOTICE is hereby given, that those Parties who bought "TICKETS" from the Undersigned, from 7th Moon of last year to the 1st Moon of this current year, of which some desired to get Prizes, are requested to send in the same to collect the DISTRIBUTION before the 27th DAY OF APRIL, 1882. Take note, after this date, no Demand whatever shall be recognised against the Undersigned in respect to this matter.

Fearing questions may arise in future, this Advertisement is specially published by

TUNG YUENG LEUNG YIK SOCIETY.

Hongkong, April 8, 1882. ap22

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE—1881, IN LIQUIDATION.

THE LIQUIDATORS having decided to pay a FIRST DIVIDEND of \$500 per SHARE (being on account of Capital and Reserve Fund), Shareholders are hereby notified that the said Sum will be paid them on their handing their SHIP CERTIFICATES to the Undersigned for Endorsement.

F. B. JOHNSON, Liquidator.

E. F. ALFORD, Liquidator.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, 1881.

Hongkong, March 29, 1882.

## NEWS FOR HOME.

### The Overland China Mail.

(The oldest Overland Paper in China.)

PUBLISHED AT THE "CHINA MAIL" OFFICE IN TIME FOR THE ENGLISH MAIL.

Containing from 72 to 84 columns of closely-printed matter.

THIS Mail Summary is compiled from the Daily China Mail, is published twice a month on the morning of the English Mail's departure, and is a record of each fortnight's current history of events in China and Japan, contributed in original reports and collated from the journals published at the various ports in those Countries.

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## THE CHINA AND JAPAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, (IN LIQUIDATION).

A FINAL DIVIDEND, at the Rate of TANGS 5.15 per Share has been Declared, payable at the HONGKONG and SHANGHAI BANK on and after the 15th Instant.

DIVIDEND WARRANTS may be obtained from the Undersigned upon production of the Scrip for Cancellation.

LITTLE & Co., Liquidators.

Shanghai, 11th March, 1882. ap20

## THE "FAR EAST."

THE ISSUES OF 1878 WANTED.

Apply at this OFFICE.

Hongkong, October 4, 1880.

## THE CHINESE MAIL.

THIS paper is now issued every day.

The subscription is fixed at Four Dollars per annum delivered in Hongkong, or Seven Dollars Fifty Cents including postage to Coast ports.

It is the best Chinese Newspaper issued under purely native direction. The chief support of the paper is of course derived from the native community, amongst whom also are to be found the guarantors and securities necessary to place it on a business and legal footing.

The projectors, basing their estimates upon the most reliable information from the various Ports in China and Japan, from Australia, California, Singapore, Fuzhou, Saigon, and other places frequented by the Chinese, consider themselves justified in guaranteeing a large and ever-increasing circulation. The advantages offered to advertisers are therefore unusually great, and the foreign community generally will find it to their interest to avail themselves of them.

The field opened by a paper of this description—conducted by native efforts, but progressive and anti-obstructive in tone—is almost limitless. It is on the one hand commends Chinese belief and interest, while on the other it deserves every aid that can be given to it by foreigners.

Like English journals it contains Editorials, with Local, Shipping, and Commercial News and Advertisements.

Subscriptions for the above may be sent to

GEO. MURRAY BAIN, China Mail Office.

## PRUSSIAN NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY, OF STETTIN.

THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to Grant Insurances against FIRE at Current Rates.

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, May 10, 1881. 10my82

## Insurances.

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Unitarian minister having proved too heterodox for the pulpit, the preacher devoted himself to scholarly pursuits and authorship. The son of the late Dr Samuel Johnson, one of the most successful physicians in Salem, Mr Johnson was enabled by his independent position to devote his life entirely to study. An admiring contemporary thus writes of the deceased author:—

"Mr Johnson has often been derided by those who did not know him, as an opponent of Christianity; but few lives within the fold have been more conscientiously devoted to Christian principles. If his uncompromising honesty sometimes failed to take sufficiently into account the truly religious feeling of reverence in his hearers, he never wilfully spoke an irreverent word."

Mr Johnson was never a materialist, and had no sympathy for that phase of modern thought. The duty was to him the indwelling spirit, the Eternal Principle of goodness and truth, mirrored in every pure conscience.

He was eloquent in words to an unusual degree, but the spirit, the unseen influence of the pure soul within him, was his loftiest sermon. He has left us with his great work unfinished, just as his literary worth was being recognized,—the reward of the faithful labor of his ripe years. Others may take up that work and show us the Universal Religion alike under all outward forms: he illustrated the religious principle in his daily life."

In his work, entitled *Oriental Religions and their Relation to Universal Religion*, Mr Johnson displayed an amount of learning which, in an author who had what may be termed an outside view of his subject, was simply marvellous. As a competent critic has observed, "His essays on Chinese philosophy are based on the fullest information available at present, and are written in so lively and lucid a manner that these articles are about the best that have yet been published on the subject."

He decidedly impresses us as an authority on Chinese subjects, but his conception of Christianity appears to us decidedly unreal and unwarranted."

A Bazaar in aid of the funds of the Italian Convent was opened this afternoon within the Convent grounds. This, the fourth, annual bazaar has been held in the most auspicious weather, and what would have been an almost entire failure in inauspicious circumstances has turned so far a complete success. The Convent has long been established in the colony and has done much good work, and at the present time there are no less than 300 inmates participants of its bounty, including among them 60 Chinese children under five years of age, who at this early age will be eager recipients of the instructions which are given them by the sisters who labour so earnestly and ardently for their welfare. Last year the sum realized was something like \$2,000, and we trust that this respectable sum has been exceeded by this year's proceeds. The stalls were placed under the lower verandah of the front of the building, and were twelve in number. They were most tastefully and prettily arranged, and were loaded with all the fancy and useful articles common to such occasions. A considerable number of flags draped the walls, and above the main entrance was placed the portrait of the founder of the Convent, to which body the sisters belong. The square in front was set with seats, while the Band of the Buffs occupied part, and enlivened the proceedings with a selection of music. The ladies, always inseparable from bazaar, were present in abundance, and many were the wiles employed to induce the visitors to disburse their loose cash. The twelve stalls were presided over by the following ladies: Mrs A. F. Alves, and Miss Allanston, the first; Mrs M. A. Braga, the second; Mrs L. A. Boza, and Mrs G. de Costa, the fourth; Mrs and the Misses Rozario, the fifth; Mrs Von Mollendroff, the sixth; Mrs Loureiro, and Madame Vaucher, the seventh; Mrs Antonio and Mrs Mackintosh, the eighth; Mrs J. H. Remedios, and the Misses Leiria, the ninth; Mrs Foster and Mrs Hartigan, the tenth; Mrs D. Noronha, and Mrs A. de Brito, the eleventh; and Mrs Fleming and Miss Rozario, the twelfth; while the refreshment stall was under the supervision of Mrs G. M. Carvalho, and Miss Braga. We may mention that a large quantity of the articles sold was provided by the industry of the children.

The band performed the following selection in excellent style, under the leadership of Bandmaster Quinn:—

MARSH, "The Queens,".....Riviera.  
OVERTURE, "Bauer und Dichter,".....Supph.  
VALSE, "Happy Thoughts,".....Prest.  
SELECTION, "La Traviata,".....Verdi.  
AIR, "Cajus Animus,".....Rusini.  
GALOP, "Wings of Love,".....Meyder.

On Friday evening a crime was committed by some men, dressed in the uniform of Chinese Customs Officers, which will likely entail some difficulty in settling. About half past seven on that evening a boat, named *Sze Na See*, a subarked passenger, named Chan Aye, a stone-cutter, in a small pullway boat, to carry him to the Mainland opposite. The man had frequently been conveyed in the same manner by this woman, and as usual, on this occasion he took with him a basket containing about three cetties of tobacco. They both rowed, and when the boat had only entered the Ly-se-moon pass some yards, about 30 yards from the Hong-kong side, a boat supposed to be a Chinese revenue cutter, and containing ten men, hailed them, and ordered them to stop rowing. This order they disobeyed, and after being hailed three times, three shots were fired by the men in the strange boat,

one of the bullets entering the right breast of the passenger. Three of the men then took the boatman on board their boat, accusing him of smuggling, and took her boat in tow with the dead man in it, proceeding in the same direction as they had come from, that of Pak-sai-wan. After proceeding to a small bay near Pak-sai-wan they set the boat adrift, with the deceased on board, leaving the basket with the three cetties of tobacco. They then put the woman on shore at a small island and departed. The woman remained on this island all night, and next morning hailed a fishing boat, but the occupants of this craft refused to take her, as there were already too many in their boat; they however, promised to send a boat from Shau-ki-wan. Some time after therefore, one of the quarters of that village rowed to the island, and took the woman off. She immediately reported the affair to the police, who went in search of the woman's boat, which they were successful in finding. An inquest was held to-day at the Government Civil Hospital, before the Coroner, H. E. Wedhouse, Esq., and the following gentlemen as jurors: Messrs D. W. Schwomann, J. F. Shuster, and F. J. R. Schwarzkopf, regarding the death of the man, when the woman gave evidence to much the same effect as the above. The inquest was adjourned until Thursday at half-past two at the Magistracy. The Coroner ordered a post mortem examination of the body to be made in the interval, and he, along with the Jurymen and the woman, are to visit the scene of the occurrence. At the present time it is believed that the outrage took place in British waters, so that, perhaps, some international questions may crop up in its consideration.

We (N. C. D. News) hear from Hongkong that no doubt need exist about the fact of the Governor's recall, as the last incident has proved to be more than the long-suffering Colonial Office could bear with. The Administrator, the Hon. Mr Marsh, has taken office. He commenced his rule by many changes in the official appointments made by Governor Hulse. It is said that many useful improvements, long delayed or obstructed by the ex-Governor, will be proceeded with at once. The condition of the Colony of Victoria as regards sanitation, water supply, state of roads, system of education etc., is thoroughly bad, and many works will be required to repair the misdeeds and neglect of the ex-Governor. We hear also that a report was circulated that he would re-appear in China as successor to Sir Thomas Wade, but there seems to be no sound reason for expecting such an alarming event.

With regard to the appointment of H. E. Major-General Sargent to the command of the troops in China and the Straits Settlements the following notice appears in Saturday's *Gazette*:—

(1) Her Majesty the Queen having been graciously pleased to appoint Major-General Sargent, C.B., to command the troops in China and Straits Settlements, in succession to General Donovan, H.E., the Major-General is commanded from this date.

(2) His Royal Highness the Field Marshal Commander-in-Chief has been pleased to approve of Major F. Cardew, 2nd Battalion, South Lancashire Regiment, being appointed Assistant Military Secretary to Major-General Sargent, C.B., on his assuming command of the troops in China and Straits Settlements.

The following is the account given of the loss of the *Holyrood* in the *Singapore Times* of 28th ultimo:—

"Almost innumerable 'tale of the sea' is told by Chinese who arrived here yesterday morning in the steamship *Manchoe Amavou*, from Trinagan. This man, whose name is Goh Ah Kew, states that he was the Chin Chew's cook on board the steamer *Holyrood*, regarding the fate of which so much anxiety has been felt. The Chin Chew is the Chinese supercargo, who attends to loading and discharging the cargo, and has his own crew for that purpose. The Chin Chew had nine tallies on board, making with himself ten men not borne on the ship's articles, and Ah Kew says the vessel had also one Chinese passenger from Saigon, thus making eleven besides those already given as forming the ship's company. He says he had been four months on board the *Holyrood*. She had a general cargo, and was not so deeply laden as on former voyages. All went well until about six hours after leaving Cape St. James, when she encountered bad weather; there being a very heavy sea, and the ship labouring very heavily and shipping much water, the engines suddenly stopped owing to the fire being put out by the water in the stoke-hold. The Captain set all hands to pumping and baling, but the water gained upon them fast, and it was determined to leave the ship. The Captain and officers, with the Chin Chew and cook and some of the men, got into a boat, and pushed off astern. Two men failed in an attempt to get into this boat, and were drowned. The engineers and a great number of people got into another boat, evidently overweighing her, for in a few minutes afterwards Ah Kew saw this boat swamped with all her living freight. He, being still on board, and the ship fast settling down, then took a plank and sprang overboard, swimming away from the vessel, which soon afterwards went down stern first. After floating all night by the aid of this plank, in the morning he found himself close to the cabin skylight, to which six men, three Chinese and three Malays, were clinging. He swam to this also, and held on with them, remaining there six days without food or water, his comrades all one by one succumbing to privation and exposure and finding a watery grave; and he only supported his own life. He was picked up in an exhausted condition by a small fishing boat, and taken to a village near Trinagan, where he remained several days, and then obtained passage to Trinagan in a Chinese junk. After remaining a fortnight at Trinagan, he was brought on to Singapore in this little steamer. After communicating with the owners of the *Holyrood* (Messrs. Bun Hin & Co.), who give entire credence to the man's story, he was taken to the Master Attendant's Office and his statement taken down for the information of the Government. It is possible, according to his statement, that there may be more survivors of the ill-fated steamer: the Captain's boat may have reached some part of the East Coast, and he and his comrades may yet be heard from."

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"IL BARBIERE DI SIVIGLIA."

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(L. C. Express, March 3.)

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Lum Aft, coolie, took a spoon from the pocket of Faron Shor, seaman, yesterday, while the latter was standing at a money changer's stall in Queen's Road. He was seen to drop a knife immediately after he took the article from the complainant's pocket. He pleaded poverty,



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4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.  
5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Pedder's Wharf.  
6. From Pedder's Wharf to the Naval Yard.  
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.  
8. From Pier to East Point.

4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.				5. From Pier to East Point.			
Vessel's Name.	Agent.	Captain.	Flag and Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
<b>Steamers.</b>							
Albany	5 h	Lightwood	Brit. str.	380	April 9	Douglas Laiprak & Co.	Ancry, &c.
Anchises	5 h	C Jackson	Brit. str.	380	April 9	Burfield & Swire	Ancry and Shanghai
Asahi	5 h	Marine	Brit. str.	4306	April 9	O. D. S. Co.	Yokohama and San Francisco
Ashington	3 h	Allanon	Brit. str.	800	April 6	Siemssen & Co.	Bangkok
Blackhalls	2 g	Granger	Brit. str.	724	April 5	Boey Shing	Saigon
Bothwell Castle	5 h	Thomson	Brit. str.	1663	April 6	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Saigon
Canopus	5 h	e Joy	Brit. str.	1818	April 5	Russell & Co.	San Francisco
Carlos	2 h	Haealop	Ger. str.	724	April 4	Ah Yon & Co.	Saigon
Cebu	5 h	Edgar	Amer. str.	373	Nov. 29	Captain	To-day
Conquest	5 h	...	...	...	...	...	For Sale
Djemah	3 h	e Russell Baron	Brit. str.	2345	April 9	Matheson & Co.	Shanghai
Fame	6 h	Stopani	Brit. str.	117	...	H. K. & W'pon Dock Co.	To-morrow
Fraze	...	Homeyer	Ger. str.	52	Feb. 15	Blackhead & Co.	Tag Flying
Glenfruir	2 c	Hogg	Brit. str.	1936	April 7	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	K'loon Dock
Gordon Castle	5 c	Waring	Brit. str.	1319	April 9	Adamson, Bell & Co.	...
Greyhound	5 h	Scott	Brit. str.	227	April 9	Adamson, Bell & Co.	at daylight
Hongkong	3 k	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hongkong	2 c	Flyer	Brit. str.	97	Oct. 29	Kwok Achong & Sons	...
Jamaica	5 h	Harding	Brit. str.	1865	April 8	Siemssen & Co.	Saigon
Jolano	5 h	Marquez	Span. str.	654	Dec. 19	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	Straits and Calcutta
Julietta	5 c	Arias	Span. str.	376	April 5	Melchers & Co.	10th, 3 p.m.
Killarney	2 c	O'Neill	Brit. str.	1060	April 8	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Cos'tan Doc
Kuananoo Maru	8 c	Drummond	Japan. str.	1240	April 7	M. B. M. S. S. Co.	Manila
Kwangtung	5 h	Young	Brit. str.	674	April 7	Douglas Laiprak & Co.	Nagasaki
Lennox	5 h	Scott	Brit. str.	1327	April 2	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Coast Ports
Li Tai	2 h	Li Ton Tac	Annam. str.	82	July 7	...	Straits and Calcutta
Manila	3 h	...	...	...	...	...	10th, 3 p.m.
Natal	3 h	Didier	Fch. str.	2554	April 7	Douglas Laiprak & Co.	Coast Ports
Nona	3 h	Walfell	Ger. str.	609	April 9	Edmund Schellhass & Co.	Marseilles, &c.
Olympia	2 h	Wagner	Ger. str.	780	April 7	Siemssen & Co.	Saigon
Ping-on	5 h	M. Chasin	Brit. str.	575	April 7	Russell & Co.	Hoilow, &c.
Saigon	5 c	Sibilet	Fch. str.	674	April 2	Messageries Maritimes	14th inst.
San Gull	8 h	Haydon	Amer. str.	48	Nov. 24	China Traders Insurance Co.	at daylight
Shun Tin	2 h	Yuen Man Fu	Annam. str.	83	July 7	Captain	...
Strathgairn	4 h	Penwick	Brit. str.	1236	April 3	Norton & Co.	San Francisco
Suez	2 c	Dodd	Brit. str.	1390	Mar. 28	Russell & Co.	...
Sunmia Maru	4 h	Hudson	Japan. str.	826	April 7	M. B. M. S. S. Co.	Nagasaki and Kobe
Tanais	5 h	Drubon	Fch. str.	1500	April 8	Messageries Maritimes	Yokohama
Volmer	2 h	Heintzelmann	Dan. str.	978	April 3	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.	To-morrow
<b>Sailing Vessels.</b>							
Agate	3 c	Brown	Amer. bgo.	626	Mar. 30	Captain	Saigon
Anna	4 k	Jesson	Ger. bgo.	447	Mar. 27	Wieler & Co.	Hamburg
Bortha	4 h	Horne	Ger. bgo.	443	Mar. 27	Carlowitz & Co.	...
Brantley	7 h	Richard	Brit. str.	1407	Mar. 31	Captain	...
Charles Stewart	7 h	Powers	Amer. bgo.	630	Mar. 29	Master	Cos'tan Doc
Charter Oak	...	Gilkey	Amer. sh.	964	Mar. 9	Ah Yon	Cos'tan Doc
Chatanooga	7 h	Hoves	Amer. bgo.	527	Feb. 22	Captain	Victoria (V. I.)
Christian	4 k	Kosow	Ger. sch.	260	Jan. 9	Wieler & Co.	...
Coloma	4 c	Noyce	Amer. bgo.	853	Jan. 1	Rozario & Co.	Portland (Oregon)
Elise	2 c	Bruhn	Ger. bgo.	513	Jan. 31	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Havre and London
Elise	1 k	Winters	Ger. sh.	85	Feb. 3	Carlowitz & Co.	Manila
Endymion	1 k	Richardson	Brit. str.	619	Jan. 19	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	London
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Jas. A. Bolland	...	Kent	Amer. bgo.	622	Feb. 19	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	New York
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Livingstone	3 c	Steffens	Ger. bgo.	531	Mar. 28	Siemssen & Co.	Saigon
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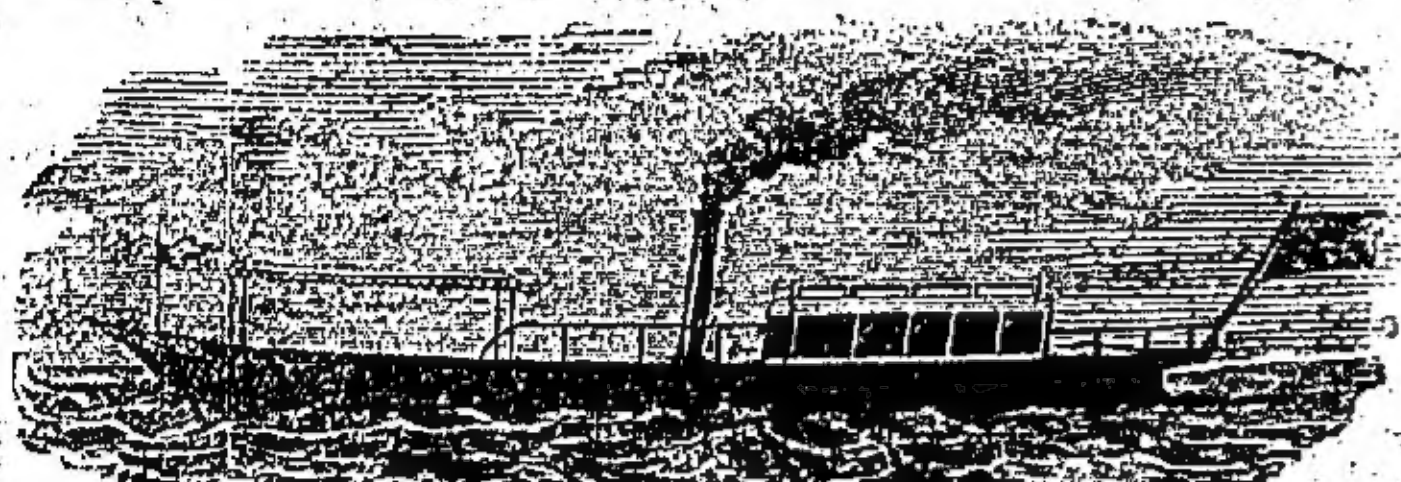
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